

**THE CITY OF DEXTER
CITY COUNCIL
WORK SESSION
TUESDAY, MARCH 31, 2015**

A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:21 PM by Mayor Keough at the Dexter Senior Center at 7720 Ann Arbor Street in Dexter, Michigan

B. ROLL CALL: Mayor Keough

J. Carson	D. Fisher
J. Knight	J. Semifero
J. Smith	R. Tell

Also attending: Courtney Nicholls, City Manager; Michelle Aniol, Community Development Manager; Marie Sherry, Finance Director/Treasurer; Carol Jones, Interim City Clerk; Dan Schlaff, Public Services Superintendent; and Justin Breyer, Assistant to the City Manager.

C. GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

- The purpose of this meeting is to set Council's Goals & Objectives for fiscal year 2015-2016 to provide staff with direction as the draft budget document is prepared.
- *Ms. Sherry reviewed the spread sheet she prepared on the objectives. 2014-2015 results and 2015-2016 action items. Discussion followed.*

D. REVIEW OF POSSIBLE WAYS THE CITY CAN OFFER SUPPORT TO THE DDA FOR 3045 BROAD

- *A draft was presented of possible ways that the City could offer support to the 3045 Broad Street property development.*
- *This draft needs to be shared with the DDA.*
- *Discussion followed.*

E. USE OF GENERAL FUND RESERVES

- Determination of Facility Budget for 2015-2016
 - a.) *Possible Use of \$288,000 in Restricted Facility Fund*
 - b.) *Need to budget for design fees in 2015-2016*
 - c.) *Possible use of tax billing administrative fee*

F. UNFUNDED LIABILITIES

- *Maintain priorities of paying down unfunded liabilities.*

G. DISCUSSION OF 2015-2016 MILLAGE RATE

H. REVIEW BUDGET PROCESS SCHEDULE

- Draft Manager Budget Distributed April 24, 2015
- First Council Budget Meeting April 29, 2015

- Second Council Budget Meeting May 6 or May 13, 2015
- Final Budget Meeting (if necessary) May 27, 2015
- 2015-2016 Budget Public hearing June 8, 2015 (City Council Meeting)
- Adopt 2015-2016 Budget June 22, 2015 (City Council Meeting)

I. COMMENTS

- Schlaff* City has been asked about providing an easement on Ryan Drive for a natural gas line to as property abutting to the City and does Council have any issues with this?
- Smith* Explained and provided a handout on two proposals from Under the Radar. Discussion followed.
- Keough* Gave an update from the Tax Tribunal meeting of March 27. There was to be a meeting on April 15 for the City Manager's review. Due to some conflicts, would like to reschedule this meeting to April 14 at 6 PM.
- Fisher* Commented on The Sun Times News as our paper of record and their sometimes limited coverage of the City.
- Semifero* Would like to see the vendor fees for the Farmers Market raised from \$120 to \$150 for the yearly rate and earmark this increase for needed improvements.

J. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned at 8:53 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Carol J. Jones
Interim Clerk, City of Dexter

Approved for Filing: _____